



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Employment Security Department

Subject of possible rule making: Unemployment insurance tax rate for employers delinquent on taxes or reports (WAC 192-320-035).

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 50.12.010, RCW 50.12.040, RCW 50.29.010.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: HB 1338 (Ch. 83, Laws of 2009) provides for the Commissioner to define by rule when late unemployment insurance reports, taxes, penalties, or interest may be disregarded for purposes of the tax rate. The Commissioner has issued an emergency rule amending WAC 192-320-035 to implement this. This rule-making process will consider whether to adopt the rule on a permanent basis.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
None.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

☐ Negotiated rule making

☐ Pilot rule making

☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) The agency will consult with stakeholders in the development of this rule. Individuals interested in participating in this rule-making process should contact the department at the address listed below.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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